## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY TONNAGE FEES ACT

## **HOUSE FILE 722**

MAJOR INCREASES, DECREASES, OR TRANSFERS OF EXISTING PROGRAMS

EFFECTIVE DATE

**ENACTMENT DATE** 

- Changes the tonnage fee allocation deposited into the Solid Waste Account of the Groundwater Protection Fund. The Act specifies an additional \$0.25 per ton be retained by a sanitary landfill operator that has not met the 50.0% waste reduction goal and an additional \$0.10 per ton be retained by a sanitary landfill operator that has met or exceeded the 25.0% waste reduction goal but has not met the 50.0% waste reduction goal. The waste reduction goals are outlined in Section 455D.3, Code of Iowa.
- Specifies that a planning area achieving the 50.0% waste reduction goal will use \$0.45 of the retained funds for implementing waste volume reduction and recycling requirements in the comprehensive plans submitted to the Department of Natural Resources. A planning area that has met or exceeded the 25% waste reduction goal but has not met the 50.0% waste reduction goal will use \$0.70 of the retained funds for implementing waste volume reduction and recycling requirements in the comprehensive plans submitted to the Department of Natural Resources.
- Increases the allocation to the University of Northern Iowa for waste reduction programs from \$65,000 to \$165,000.
- Specifies this Act, with the exception of the Section that increases the allocation to the University of Northern Iowa for waste reduction programs, is effective July 1, 2002.
- The Act was approved by the General Assembly on May 3, 2001, and signed by the Governor on May 7, 2001.